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From: Brad Michels <bradm@csn.net>
To: A16.A16(rm-8653)
Date: 7/25/95 7:37pm
Subject: Support the petitions

I whole heartedly support the petition filed by Apple Computer to free band for free public use. The U.S. has a long history of encouraging the public's use of the airwaves with no charges. Small rural public schools and libraries cannot survive and provide their patrons with the access needed to stay abreast with the information explosion we are experiencing. Making these bands available only for a fee will continue to leave out large parts of the rural US. Please give these petitions a favorable hearing.

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CC: A16.A16(rm-8648)

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From: Russell Thackston <rfthack@gsaix2.cc.GaSoU.EDU>
To: A16.A16(RM-8653)
Date: ~~1995 7 25~~ 9:00pm
Subject: Unlicensed, Public-Access Bandwidth

From what I have been hearing, I fully support an unlicensed, public-access bandwidth allocation. In my opinion, this would benefit the citizens of the U.S. more than the auctioning of bandwidths to large corporations.

This could do for the computer industry what CBs did for personal communication.

For what it is worth, I support Apple Corp's proposal!

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Date: ~~7/23/95~~ 2:48pm
Subject: Yes for RM-8653

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Dear Commissioner,

I strongly urge that petition RM-8653 regarding unlicensed space in the 5 gig band be approved and that petition RM-8648 be disapproved.

RM-8648 is redundant because space allocated in the 40 gig band already provides for in-building wireless network and PBX extensions.

RM-8653 will allow small companies, such as ourselves to construct and manage our own local community-wide communications networks with adequate bandwidth for any needs (voice, data, video, etc.) as we see fit. It will allow us to have a high speed connection between our LAN and the Internet at a reasonable cost, giving us world-wide connectivity without the "last mile" local telephone bottleneck.

Thank you,
Larry Stites

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From: Patrice McDermott <patricem@rtk.net>
To: A16.A16(RM-8653)
Date: ~~7/25/95~~ 1:38pm
Subject: Petition RM-8653

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing on behalf of OMB Watch, a nonprofit organization that advocates for public access to government and which, together with Unison Institute, operates the Right-to-Know Network (RTK.NET), to support Apple Computer Inc.'s petition to the FCC to set aside 300mhz at 5ghz for public spectrum.

This capacity is enough to accomodate high-density 24-megabits-per-second connections for, as the petition proposes, all comers at no fee and subject only to interference-reducing technical standards. This, in essence, would create a NII band for public use.

Citizens, nonprofits and other institutions are being excluded, in the telecommunications bills moving through the Congress, from consideration as producers and publishers of information—in terms of their needs for meaningful access and real affordability. The action of the FCC in granting this petition will be a critical step toward ensuring a truly national and democratic information infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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Date: 7/25/95 12:27pm
Subject: Support for Apple's NII Proposal

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FCC Commissioners:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my support for Apple Computer's NII proposal. As learners of all ages access the NII through schools and libraries schools across the country, it is imperative that they and these institutions have ready access to the national infrastructure. This proposal for common radio spectrum available to all at a lower cost with decreased regulation has the potential to provide such access.

If we are to compete in a worldwide economy, we must have access to remote information resources and the skills to access and use this information.
Only with economical delivery channels can this be available to all.

I strongly support this proposal.

Live long and prosper,

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From: Paul Houle <ph18@crux2.cit.cornell.edu>
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Date: 7/25/95 12:04pm
Subject: Apple's wireless NII petition

I've done some reading about the petition that Apple has submitted to allocate a fair sized chunk of bandwidth for a public wireless spectrum. Then I checked out a web site that this guy is running using an existing wireless link -- it was so neat!

The history of telecommunications seems to me that when the big guys get a license to do one big project, the technology can lag for years behind what's possible. To take an example, AT&T had the ISDN network technology since the mid-70's and RBOCs are only really pushing it now. But if we have a public band which can be used by all sorts of tinkerers and entrepreneurs I think that we'll see people develop telecommunication services that are just astounding, the same way that the easy and somewhat "public" access to the internet is currently causing a real explosion in creativity. All of the things that the cable companies and phone companies have talked about for years is being done or exceeded everyone from small business to bright college kids. And I think that this is great for the public and great for business. So I'm writing to voice my strong support of the petition to make available public wireless computing bandwidth.

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